

wheel crossing the same, five cents; horse and rider, ten cents; loose cattle two cents each; and for each grown person on foot or otherwise, five cents; and the said Charles Henry, his heirs and assigns, shall receive no more tolls for crossing said ferry than are herein allowed to be charged; and the said Charles Henry, his heirs and assigns, are hereby invested with full power to refuse any persons passage on said ferry, who may neglect or refuse to pay said tolls in this act allowed.

Liability.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That the owner of said ferry shall be liable to indictment in the superior court of said county, for not keeping said ferry, bridge or road attached thereto in good repair, and shall moreover be responsible for such damages as persons may sustain resulting from said neglect.

Highway.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That said ferry, made in pursuance of this act, shall be deemed and taken as a public highway, free for the passage of all persons, carriages, cattle, &c. on the payment of tolls imposed by this act.

SEC. 5. *Be it further enacted*, That no person shall hereafter establish a ferry for the public use on said river, within five miles of the ferry now established by this act.

SEC. 6. *Be it further enacted*, That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification. [*Ratified the 12th day of February, 1855.*]

Chap. 89.

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE ROBERT L. STEELE TO ESTABLISH A PUBLIC FERRY ON THE PEDEE RIVER, IN THE COUNTIES OF ANSON AND RICHMOND.

Ferry.

SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of North-Carolina, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That Robert L. Steele, his heirs and assigns, are hereby authorized to establish and keep up a public ferry on the Pedee river, at or near his mill on said river, the said river being the boundary between Anson and Richmond counties.

Right vested.

SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted*, That the right to keep up said ferry, shall be and is hereby vested in the said Robert L. Steele, his heirs and assigns, for and during the full end and term of fifty years.

Tolls.

SEC. 3. *Be it further enacted*, That it shall be lawful for the said Robert L. Steele, his heirs and assigns, to receive such tolls at the said ferry as shall be prescribed and regulated by the county court of Anson.

SEC. 4. *Be it further enacted*, That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification. [*Ratified the 14th day of February, 1855.*]